

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2009-173-S

**PALMETTO UTILITIES, INC. – APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE EXPANSION OF ITS
AUTHORIZED SEWER SERVICE TERRITORY TO SERVE UNSERVED AREAS OF RICHLAND COUNTY**

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-210 (1976) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-504 (Supp. 2008), Palmetto Utilities, Inc. (“PUI”) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) for approval of a proposed expansion of the Company’s sewer utility territory to serve portions of Richland County which are currently un-served. The area for which the approval is sought are the portions of Richland County generally west of PUI’s currently assigned service territory and bounded on the west by U.S. Highway 321, on the south by County Roads 1282 and 1694, on the east by the western boundary of PUI’s currently authorized service territory, and on the north by the boundary of Richland and Fairfield counties and generally northeast of PUI’s currently assigned service territory and bounded on the east by Kershaw County, on the north by Fairfield County on the west by the Town of Blythewood and the northern most portion of PUI’s currently authorized service territory and on the south by PUI’s currently authorized service territory. A complete description of PUI’s proposed service area is in the Company’s Application. In support of its Application, PUI asserts, among other things, that the public interest will be served by an expansion of its sewer collection system because the area for which such expansion is sought is not currently served by any public or governmental utility and no other governmental entity has sewer service facilities in the proposed service area. PUI requests expedited consideration and approval of the Application in the event that no intervention is filed and the Office of Regulatory Staff does not oppose the Application.

A copy of the Company’s Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Application is available on the Commission’s website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **June 2, 2009**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2009-173-S.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **June 2, 2009**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2009-173-S.***

Any person, who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **June 2, 2009**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2009-173-S.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission’s Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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